

Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 108. An act to amend the Education Land Grant Act to require the Secretary of Agriculture to pay the costs of environmental reviews with respect to conveyances under that Act.

H.R. 205. An act to amend the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a program to provide regulatory compliance assistance to small business concerns, and for other purposes.

H.R. 273. An act to provide for the eradication and control of nutria in Maryland and Louisiana.

H.R. 733. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the McLoughlin House National Historic Site in Oregon City, Oregon, and to administer the site as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1584. An act to implement effective measures to stop trade in conflict diamonds, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 380. An act to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to reform the funding of benefits under the Civil Service Retirement System for employees of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 206 of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Protection Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5616), and the order of the House of January 8, 2003, the Speaker reappoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for a 3-year term: Mr. Michael J. Mahoney of Chicago, Illinois.

The message also announced that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 188a, and the order of the House of January 8, 2003, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission: Mr. YOUNG of Florida and Mr. LATOURETTE of Ohio.

The message further announced that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 188a, the Minority Leader appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission for the 108th Congress: Mr. FATTAH of Pennsylvania

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message also announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills

H.R. 397. An act to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois.

H.R. 672. An act to rename the Guam South Elementary /Middle School of the Department of Defense Domestic Dependents Elementary and Secondary Schools system in honor of Navy Commander William "Willie" McCool, who was the pilot of the Space Shuttle Columbia when it was tragically lost on February 1, 2003.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 108. An act to amend the Education Land Grant Act to require the Secretary of Agriculture to pay the costs of environmental reviews with respect to conveyances under that Act; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

H.R. 205. An act to amend the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a program to provide regulatory compliance assistance to small business concerns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

H.R. 733. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the McLoughlin House National Historic Site in Oregon City, Oregon, and to administer the site as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1849. A communication from the Director, Regulations Management, Board of Veterans' Appeals, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Board of Veterans' Appeals; Rules of Practice—Appeal Withdrawal (2900-AK71)" received on April 3, 2003; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-1850. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the March 2003 Report to the Congress: Medicare Payment Policy, received on April 3, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1851. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Fringe Benefits Aircraft Valuation Formula (Rev. Rul. 2003-25)" received on April 2, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1852. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Diesel Fuel; Blended Taxable Fuel (TD 9051)" received on April 2, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1853. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Information Reporting Requirements Under Section 60501 For Cash Transactions That Involve The Rental Of Taxicabs For A Daily Shift (Rev. Proc. 2003-27)" received on April 2, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1854. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Section 4945 Scholarship Grants by Employer-Related Private Foundation in Qualified Disaster Context (Rev. Rul. 2003-32)" received on April 2, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1855. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Tax-Exempt Bond Look Through (Rev. Proc. 2003-32)" received on April 2, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1856. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Announcement and Report Concerning Advance Pricing Agreements (2003-19)" received on April 2, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1857. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Medicare Program; Improvements to the Medicare and Choice Appeal and Grievance Procedures (0938-AK48)" received on April 4, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1858. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Center for Medicare and Management, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Update of Ambulatory Surgical Center List of Council Procedures Effective July 1, 2003 (0938-AM02)" received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1859. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (RIN 1903-AC11)" received on April 1, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1860. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to the judiciary's courthouse construction requirements and construction budget for fiscal year 2004 along with the out-year requirements for fiscal years 2005-2008, received on April 4, 2003; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1861. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Wage Garnishment (RIN 0990-AA05)" received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1862. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "29 CFR 1979, Procedures for the Handling of Discrimination Complaints under Section 519 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century; Final Rule (1218-AB99)" received on April 1, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1863. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Strategic Plan of the Social Security Administration (SSA) for Fiscal Years 2003-2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1864. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to the Inspector General of the Department of Defense (DOD) annual assessment of the DOD voting assistance program, received on April 1, 2003; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-1865. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Methodology and Formulas for Allocation of Loan and Grant Program Funds (RIN 0570-AA30)" received on April 7, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1866. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of

a Draft Bill that would repeal an existing statutory provision relating to the Department of Agriculture's Cushion of Credit Payments Program, received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1867. A communication from the Chairman, Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for the Broadcasting Board of Governors for Fiscal Years 2004 and 2005, received on April 4, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1868. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of certification of a proposed license for the export of major defense equipment and defense articles in the amount of 25,000,000 or more to Greece, received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1869. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of certification of a proposed license for the export of major defense equipment and defense articles in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to France, United Kingdom, Germany, Switzerland, Sweden, and Spain, received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1870. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of certification of a proposed license for the export of major defense equipment and defense articles in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to the United States, received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1871. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of certification of a proposed license for the export of major defense equipment and defense articles in the amount of 1,000,000 or more to Greece, received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1872. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of certification of a proposed manufacturing license for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad to Germany, received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1873. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of certification of a proposed manufacturing license for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad to Jordan, received on March 28, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1874. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Country Reports on Human Rights Practices for 2002, received on March 31, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1875. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States under the Case-Zablocki Act with Portugal, Israel, Cape Verde, received on April 1, 2003; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GRASSLEY, from the Committee on Finance, with amendments:

S. 760. A bill to implement effective measures to stop trade in conflict diamonds, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-36).

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

H.R. 145. A bill to designate the Federal building located at 290 Broadway in New York, New York, as the "Ted Weiss Federal Building".

H.R. 289. A bill to expand the boundaries of the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge Complex and the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge.

S. 163. A bill to reauthorize the United States Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution, and for other purposes.

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 243. A bill concerning participation of Taiwan in the World Health Organization.

By Mr. INHOFE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 763. A bill to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 46 Ohio Street in Indianapolis, Indiana, as the "Birch Bayh Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S.J. Res. 3. A joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress with respect to human rights in Central Asia.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LUGAR for the Committee on Foreign Relations:

*Lino Gutierrez, of Florida, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Argentina.

Nominee: Lino Gutierrez.

Post: Argentina.

The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.

Contributions, amount, date, donee:

1. Self, none.
2. Spouse, none.
3. Children:
Susana Gutierrez, none.
Alicia Tio-Messina, none.
Diana Gutierrez, none.
4. Parents:
Maria Gutierrez-Novoa, none.
Lino Gutierrez-Novoa, deceased.
5. Grandparents:
Lino Gutierrez Alea, deceased.
Eugenia Novoa, deceased.
Luis Fernandez, deceased.
Etelvina Caubi, deceased.

*Roland W. Bullen, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

Nominee: Roland Wentworth Bullen.

Post: Guyana.

The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform

me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.

Contributions, amount, date, donee:

No contributions were made by any family members.

*Eric M. Javits, of New York, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.

*John W. Snow, of Virginia, to be United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of five years; United States Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; United States Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the African Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the Asian Development Bank; United States Governor of the African Development Fund; United States Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, for the Committee on Foreign Relations I report favorably the following nomination list which was printed in the RECORD on the date indicated and ask unanimous consent to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that this nomination lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

*Foreign Service nominations beginning Louise Brandt Bigott and ending Kathleen Hatch Allegrone, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on February 25, 2003.

By Mr. INHOFE for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Richard W. Moore, of Alabama, to be Inspector General, Tennessee Valley Authority.

*John Paul Woodley, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

*Ricky Dale James, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission for a term of nine years.

*Rear Adm. Nicholas Augustus Prael, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, under the provisions of Section 2 of an Act of Congress, approved 28 June 1879 (21 Stat. 37) (22 USC 642).

*Herbert Gunther, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term two years.

*Bradley Udall, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

*Malcolm B. Bowekaty, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

*Richard Narcia, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

*Robert Boldrey, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.